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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of)
Don A. Andrus, et al.) For: **IMPLEMENTING AND**
Serial No.: 09/895,424) **COORDINATING**
Filed: June 29, 2001) **CONFIGURATION OF**
) **PROTOCOLS**
) **Group Art Unit: 2152**

PETITION TO WITHDRAW
HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC. 20231

Attention: Unknown

Dear Sir:

The following communication is submitted in response to the Notice of Abandonment sent by the Patent Office on December 17, 2002 and received in our office on December 26, 2002.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Asst. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on:

January 24, 2003

(Date of Deposit)

Darla D. Kasmedo

(Name of the Person Making Deposit)

(Signature)

January 24, 2003

(Date of Signature)

1. The following statements are made on information and belief:
 - a. On August 23, 2001, the Office mailed to Applicants a Notice of Missing Parts. A photocopy of said Notice is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A".
 - b. On October 30, 2001, Applicants mailed to the Office a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application and authorized payment of the surcharge and extension fees from their deposit account. The Transmittal included a Certificate of Mailing. A photocopy of said Transmittal is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "B." Also included in Exhibit "B" are a copy of the Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney, Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, and postcard dated October 30, 2001.
 - c. On October 30, 2001, Applicants also mailed the Assignment and Recordation cover sheet to the Office. The Assignment was returned to Applicant bearing a recordation date of January 24, 2002. A copy of the Assignment and Recordation date are included in Exhibit "C."
 - d. On July 17, 2002, Applicants filed a Corrective Assignment and Recordation Sheet in order to correct the misspelled name of Don Andrus (Exhibit "D"). On September 28, 2002, the Office mailed a Notice of Non-Recordation. On November 12 2002, Applicants responded to the Notice of Non-Recordation. A copy of the Notice of Non-Recordation and subsequent response are attached hereto as Exhibit "E."
 - e. On December 17, 2002, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment to Applicants. Applicants, as indicated by the stamp placed on it by Applicants, received this Notice on December 26, 2002. A photocopy of said Notice, with the stamp, is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "F".
2. The following statements are made of my own knowledge:
 - a. I am registered to practice before the Office, Reg. No. 35,065, and am the attorney assigned to this application.
 - b. Exhibits "A" through "F" are true photocopies of the documents as they appear in my file.

3. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

4. An authorization to charge Applicant's deposit account for the fee for filing this petition accompanies this petition.

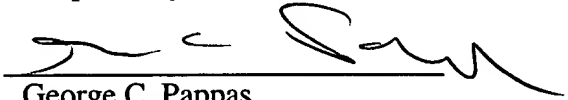
5. Applicants therefore respectfully petition that:

- a. the holding of abandonment be withdrawn; and
- b. the application be appropriately prosecuted..

Dated: January 24, 2003

By:

Respectfully submitted,


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